GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF DAMS BARRAGES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of dams/barrages constructed on major rivers in the country;

(b) the details of studies made on the adverse impact on dams in downstream areas resulting in silt of riverbeds causing floods; and

(c) the outcome thereof and the preventive steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) As per the National Register of Large Dams published by the Central Water Commission, 3596 dams have been constructed in the country.

(b) & (c) No such studies have been made, as the dams do not cause silting of river beds, causing floods in the downstream areas.